

REMARKS

In the September 13, 2004 Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-16 and 19-46 pending in the application. Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, Applicants add new claims 47- 55, and cancel claims 1-16 and 19-46, without conceding the associated rejections and without prejudice to the filing of one or more related applications containing the claimed subject matter. Support for the new claims may be found in the originally filed specification, and thus, no new matter is added by this amendment. Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 47-55 (2 independent claims; 9 total claims) remain pending in the application. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-16, and 19-46 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rosen, U.S. Patent No. 6,336,095, issued January 1, 2002 (hereinafter "Rosen") in view of Wang, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0082929 A1 (hereinafter "Wang"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Applicants have cancelled claims 1-16, and 19-46, and added new claims 47-55 that more clearly define the present invention. As claims 1-16 and 19-46 have been cancelled, the rejection to those claims is now moot. Applicants submit that new claims 47-55 are patentable over Rosen in view of Wang.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims, namely 47-55, fully comply with 35 U.S.C §112 and are allowable over the art of record. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the above in greater detail or deem that further amendments should be made to improve the form of the claims, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

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